

SENATE BILL 825

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7,  
Chapter 51, Part 10, relative to the regulation of  
transportation services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-51-1007(a), is amended by  
deleting the subsection and substituting instead:

(a) A governmental entity may regulate entry into the business of providing  
passenger transportation service, including, but not limited to, limousine, sedan, shuttle,  
entertainment transportation, and taxicab service.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-51-1007(b), is amended by adding  
the following new subdivision:

( ) "Entertainment transportation" means a motor vehicle that is designed or  
constructed to accommodate and transport a number of passengers for hire, the  
principal operation of which is confined to the area within the corporate limits of cities or  
counties and the suburban territory adjacent to the cities or counties, whether it is  
operated on a fixed route or schedule, and where the passengers hire the motor vehicle  
not only as a means of transportation but also for some entertainment or social purpose.  
"Entertainment transportation" includes, but is not limited to, a wagon pulled by a tractor  
or other motor vehicle. "Entertainment transportation" does not include a limousine,  
sedan, shuttle, or taxicab;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-51-1007(c), is amended by  
deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:

If a governmental entity regulates businesses providing passenger transportation services pursuant to this section, limousines, sedans, shuttles, entertainment transportation, and taxicabs operating in the governmental entity's jurisdiction must comply with the safety rules and regulations and the liability insurance requirements contained in title 65, chapter 15.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.